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GAME NOTES
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Belleville Senators vs. Rochester Americans

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 @ The Blue Cross Arena, AHL Regular Season Game #692

TONIGHT'S GAME

- The Rochester Americans (25-11-6-5) host the Belleville Senators (19-25-1-3) for just the second time in franchise history tonight as the North Division rivals square off at The Blue Cross Arena. The 7:05 p.m. matchup will be just the sixth all-time meeting between the two teams and will be carried live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM ESPN Rochester.

LAST TIME OUT

- Despite scoring twice in the third period to fight their way back from a two-goal deficit, the Amerks were unable to complete the comeback against the Binghamton Devils, who scored just 34 seconds into overtime to hand the Amerks a 4-3 loss Saturday at the Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena. Of Rochester's 47 games this season, 20 have seen the Amerks play beyond regulation.
- Eight different Amerks tallied one point on the night, with **Kevin Porter** and **Sahir Gill** each scoring their 13th goals of the season. **Matt Tennyson** also netted his first goal as an Amerk to spark the third-period rally and round out the scoring for Rochester, marking his first goal since Nov. 11 of last season. **Adam Wilcox** stopped 31 of the 35 shots he faced in the overtime loss, which halted a three-game win streak but extended his personal point streak to a season-long four straight games, going 3-0-1 over that span.

ROAD AHEAD FOR AMERKS

- The Amerks head to the Keystone State this weekend for a pair of matchups beginning on Saturday, Feb. 10 when they meet up with the Lehigh Valley Phantoms at the PPL Center. Following the 7:05 p.m. clash, the oldest rivalry in the AHL will be renewed on Sunday evening as Rochester travels to Giant Center to take on the Hershey Bears in what will be the 456th all-time meeting between the AHL's two senior-most franchises. Both contests can be heard live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM ESPN Rochester.

TEAM & PLAYER NOTES

- Rochester enters the contest having claimed at least one point in four of its last five games at The Blue Cross dating back to Dec. 30 as they show a record of 3-1-0-1 during that span. More importantly, the Amerks have collected at least one point in 32 of their last 38 games dating back to Nov. 1, including 10 of their last 13 games since the turn of the New Year.
- The Amerks come into the month of February having played in a league-most 20 games that have gone beyond regulation through 47 games this season. The Amerks carry a 7-6 record in overtime and are 2-5 in shootouts.
- Fresh off being named MVP of the 2018 AHL All-Star Challenge,

2017-18 REGULAR SEASON



TOTAL GOALS
118-140



19-25-1-3 (42 points)

25-11-6-5 (61 points)

AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
C.J. Smith	47	14	25	39	12	7
Kevin Porter	41	13	16	29	20	-7
Zach Redmond	39	8	21	29	26	5

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Linus Ullmark	32	17-8-6	1,851	912	.926	2.37
Adam Wilcox	18	8-3-5	1,011	441	.904	2.79

NEXT THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 10	@ Lehigh Valley	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 11	@ Hershey	5:00 p.m.
Feb. 16	vs. W-B/Scranton	7:05 p.m.

LAST THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Feb. 3	Binghamton	OTL 4-3	30-35	2-4	1-3
Feb. 2	Toronto	L 4-2	28-31	0-3	0-2
Jan. 27	Belleville	OTW 4-1	40-24	2-7	3-5

YEARLY RECORD	GF	GA	POINTS	
HOME	11-8-0-2	65	58	24
AWAY	14-3-6-3	75	70	37
TOTALS	25-11-6-5	140	128	61

SENATORS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Max McCormick	46	7	18	25	80	-3
Jim O'Brien	46	11	13	24	42	5
Ethan Werek	38	9	11	20	30	-7

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Danny Taylor	21	7-11-2	1,186	558	.896	3.29
Andrew Hammond	18	8-6-2	986:43	495	.900	3.34
Chris Driedger	9	2-4-0	430:28	206	.880	3.90



rookie forward **C.J. Smith** continues to pace the team in all offensive categories with 14 goals, 25 assists and 39 points while being one just two skaters to appear in all 47 games thus far this season. His plus-seven on-ice rating is also tops among all active Rochester skaters. The Des, Moines, Iowa native currently ranks third in scoring among all AHL rookies and is 14th overall among the league's top point-getters. His 25 assists are second-most between all first-year skaters and are tied for 13th in the league.

- The Amerks are led by the goaltending duo of AHL All-Star **Linus Ullmark** and third-year netminder **Adam Wilcox**. Ullmark has carried the majority of the workload between the pipes, boasting a 17-8-6 record in 32 games this season. He currently ranks second in the AHL in both saves (912) and minutes played (1,851) while being two wins shy of tying for the league-lead in wins (17). The former Swedish Goaltender of the Year and reigning team MVP also ranks fifth and ninth amongst all AHL goaltenders with a .926 save percentage and a 2.37 goals-against average, respectively. Wilcox, meanwhile, is 7-1-4 in his last 11 contests, including a season-best four-game point-streak. The netminder has gone 3-0-1 in his last four starts.

- The Amerks own three of the top point-producing defensemen in the AHL in **Zach Redmond**, **Stuart Percy** and rookie **Brendan Guhle**. Redmond, who leads all Amerks defensemen with 29 points (8+21) through 39 games, is seventh in goals by a defenseman with eight, matching a career-high. Additionally, Redmond's 29 points rank fifth among all AHL defensemen in scoring. Guhle is tied for fourth in scoring among all AHL rookie blueliners with 21 points (7+14), while his seven goals are third among first-year defensemen. Percy's 24 points (3+21) through 40 games bring him within one point of tying a career-high he established in his first full season with the Toronto Marlies during the 2013-14 campaign.

SCOUTING THE SENATORS

- Belleville comes into the matchup having won just four times in its last 10 games after being outscored 22-10 in its last six games. The struggling Senators have been limited to two goals or less in nine of their last 13 games.
- Fourth-year pro Max McCormick currently leads the Belleville offense in both assists (18) and points (25) through 46 games this season. Following the meeting with the Amerks back on Jan. 10, the 25-year-old has notched seven points (2+5) over his last 10 games, earning him a recall to the parent Ottawa Senators yesterday.
- Gabriel Gagne, Belleville's lone 2018 AHL-Star selection, paces the Senators with a team-high 15 goals, but has four points (2+2) over his last 19 games.
- The Senators have used a four-man goaltending tandem this season which includes Andrew Hammond, who is in his fifth season with the Ottawa Senators organization, and veteran Danny Taylor. Hammond shows an 8-6-2 record in 18 games this season while Taylor boasts a 7-11-2 record in 21 appearances for the B-Sens this season.

AMERKS-SENATORS 2017-18 SEASON SERIES BREAKDOWN

ROCHESTER

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Sahir Gill	5	4	1	5	0	4
Hudson Fasching	5	2	2	4	0	3
Colin Blackwell	4	1	3	4	6	2

GOALTENDER

	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Linus Ullmark	2	2-0-0	119:15	3	.958	1.51
Adam Wilcox	3	1-0-2	187:43	11	.889	3.52

BELLEVILLE

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Jordan Murray	4	4	1	5	4	0
Francis Perron	5	1	3	4	2	2
Gabriel Gagne	5	2	1	3	0	-3

GOALTENDER

	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Andrew Hammond	2	2-0-0	127:04	6	.870	2.83
Danny Taylor	3	0-2-1	175:51	11	.883	3.75

2017-18 SEASON SERIES GAME-BY-GAME BREAKDOWN

Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Nov. 10	W	4-2	30-40	0-5	4-6
Nov. 11	OTL	5-4	23-40	1-3	3-3
Dec. 20	W	3-1	24-32	0-6	5-5
Jan. 10	OTL	3-2	23-35	0-2	3-4
Jan. 27	OTW	4-3	40-24	2-7	3-5
Feb. 7					
Apr. 6					
Apr. 13					

AMERKS ALL-TIME RECORD VS. BELLEVILLE: 3-0-2

SERIES NOTABLES

- The Amerks have claimed at least one point in each of the previous five meetings with the Senators and finished with a 3-0-1-0 record in the road portion of the season series at Yardmen Arena. Rochester is also unbeaten on home ice against Belleville.
- Tonight is just the sixth all-time meeting between the two clubs with the Amerks having yet to lose in regulation.
- In the five previous meetings, the team who has scored the first goal of the contest has gone on to come away with the victory in each of the games.
- Sahir Gill** has a team-high four goals against the B-Sens, including a pair of two-goal games.